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${\tt therefor.}$

IN THE CLAIMS:

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1. (amended). A nucleoside [5'-phosphate] <u>5'-triphosphate</u> having a removable blocking moiety protecting the 3' position which is a hydrocarbyl wherein said removable blocking moiety is linked to the 3' carbon of said nucleoside 5'-triphosphate.

Cancel claim 2.

3. (amended). A nucleoside [5'-phosphate] 5'-triphosphate having a removable blocking moiety protecting the 3' position which is selected from the group consisting of esters, ethers and phosphates, wherein said removable blocking moiety is linked to the 3' carbon of said nucleoside 5'-triphosphate.